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Oakdale business owner pleads guilty to trafficking stolen property

A 31-year-old Cottage Grove man pleaded guilty today in federal court in connection with buying and selling stolen merchandise at his Oakdale business.

John T. Jundt pleaded guilty to one count of trafficking in stolen property Sept. 11 in Minneapolis before United States District Court Chief Judge Michael Davis. Jundt was charged April 16.

According to Jundt's plea agreement, as the owner of a InetDVD.com store in Oakdale, he bought items from thieves, sold stolen merchandise on the Internet and used the U.S. Mail system to transport the merchandise. InetDVD.com buys and sells DVDs and video games.

From August 2006 through Sept. 15, 2007, Jundt admitted that he bought from thieves and then sold stolen merchandise on the Internet and transported the merchandise through the United States Mail system. The retail value of the merchandise purchased and sold to others exceeded \$49,000.

Jundt faces a potential maximum penalty of 10 years in prison. Judge Davis will determine Jundt's sentence at a future date. This case is the result of an investigation by the United States Postal Inspection Service and the Woodbury Police Department, and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert M. Lewis.

In a related case, a 27-year-old St. Paul woman and a 35-year-old man pleaded guilty in April in connection with a conspiracy to transport stolen merchandise across state lines. Lisa Marie Krey and Thomas Edward Pracht, unknown address, each pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to transport stolen property. They were each indicted on March 19.

According to their respective plea agreements, Krey and Pracht each admitted to engaging

in a conspiracy to transport stolen goods worth at least \$5,000 in interstate commerce from March 2006 through Nov. 21, 2007. The purpose of the conspiracy was to steal merchandise from retail businesses in and outside of Minnesota and transport the items to businesses in Minnesota, which would then sell the stolen items to third parties over the Internet.

The defendants each admitted to presenting stolen merchandise for sale at businesses in Oakdale and Woodbury.

Krey and Pracht each face a potential maximum penalty of five years in prison. Judge Davis will determine their sentences at a future date. This case is also the result of an investigation by the Woodbury Police Department and the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, and is also being prosecuted by Lewis.